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Executive Order No. 21-94

## EXECUTIVE ORDER CONTINUING THE FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Montana Legislature authorized the State of Montana to apply for funding to implement the state grant program for infants and toddlers as established under the Education of Handicapped Act Amendments of 1986, PL 99-457, (renamed and amended under its reauthorization in October, 1990 as the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, PL 101-476); and

WHEREAS, the Developmental Disabilities Division of the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services has been designated the lead agency for early intervention and family support services provided for under Title I, Part H of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (PL 101-476); and

WHEREAS, to be eligible for participation in the state grant program for infants and toddlers, the Governor must establish an Interagency Coordinating Council of at least 15 members, but not more than 25 members, to advise the

 Developmental Disabilities Division regarding issues of early intervention and family support in Montana; and

WHEREAS, the Family Support Services Advisory Council exists to advise the Developmental Disabilities Division regarding issues of early intervention and family support in Montana; and

WHEREAS, the Family Support Services Advisory Council exists to advise the Developmental Disabilities Division regarding the State of Montana's intent to plan, develop, and implement a statewide, comprehensive, multi-disciplinary, coordinated program of early intervention and family support services for children aged birth to five, inclusive, and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARC RACICOT, Governor of the State of Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the constitution and laws of the State of Montana, do hereby continue the Montana Interagency Coordinating Council.

#### I. PURPOSE

The Council shall carry out all duties assigned pursuant to Public Law 101-476 and amendments thereto.

#### II. COMPOSITION

The names and addresses of members who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor are submitted by separate letter to the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services and the Secretary of State.

### III. DURATION

The Council shall exist for a period of two years from the effective date of this order unless otherwise ordered by subsequent Executive Order.

This Order is effective immediately.

Given under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this 7th day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1994.

MARC RACICOT, Governor

MIKE COONEY, Secretary of State

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